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Part B for January 1927

SUBJECT

Appt of a Successor to the Dr Anni mall at Mulbagal

GO No. 1313, Mur 268-2-3 dt 21.1.2 declining to recognise the claim of Sri Bika Swami to the title of the Anni mall & Sgn the Mur Com^r to suggest the names of 3 Brahmins from whom to choose —

BL
31/1/27

G.R.S. III—3]

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This is one of the claims against the Rāja of Dhrangadhra matter and one of which has been forced by the Bombay Govt of Kolaba for holding a meeting for selecting a successor to the Rāja. As he says he was actually been induced by the Persons from Jalna not to accompany Asrama with arrow to make him her successor, the Govt of Bombay need as well as the one need from the Mysore may be sent to the Mysore Govt for being considered at the meeting to take place at Bombay on 3. 4. 76.

3 May I submit a copy of the order,

RG (Rep^ce - Members order)
H K J.

17.3.76

Rev. Sec^y)

18^d member

17/3

17.3.76

Is such an instruction desirable?

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Telegram received on 25-3-1926 from Sar Thana Row g Bang praying that owing to the Badness of the Previous Season, the date of meeting at Bowringpet for the Selection of a Jury may be adjourned Some other Date The meeting is to Come off in the 3d prox.

A Dft. forwarding the Telegram to the D.C. in continuation of the previous correspondence, is enclosed for approval or other orders.

Telegram to D.C. Kolar

Dft
27/3.
MuzBar)

Report.

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(as also the draft reply as per Member's orders on the telephone)

27/3

(vide next page)

Received D/o. under Returns.

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(In view of the Member's orders on this telegram, & of the endorsement to the party, the draft to M.C., put up in the previous telegram, being amended)

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~~necessary~~ 27/3

A Mr. cuts a Q ordered by the members is known in for appt.

27.3.26.

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By Mr. Sarvottama Rao.
Endt no. 1244 dy 29-3-26
Informs him that his request cannot be granted.
By the Insp. Genl
memo no. 1245 dy 29.3.26
Forwards copy of the above for information.

Q.R. 10 Similar telegrams addressed by the said individual both to the Dewan and His Highness the Maharaja, are placed on the file.

R. 11 On the Private Secretary memo no. 2358 dy 25.3.26 forwarding the telegram addressed to H.H. the Maharaja, the Dewan has ordered as follows:
"Please submit to Hon'ble Members for orders"

30.3.1926 Secretariat has been informed that there can be no postponement of the date of meeting. This Secretariat has disposed of all the telegrams to the Dewan & H.H. The papers will be sent to the Sub-Committee as a report by the Secretariat as soon as the Committee meets.

13 For perusal of

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20. From, The Inez. Comm[r]
Letter no. C. 1226 dt 4. 5. 1926.
Reports that the views exp
at the meeting so far as they r
to the selection of a Brah
may be accepted, and that the
selection need not be confined to
Velnadu Sect only and that a small
Committee may be appointed for the purpose.
14 The Inez. Comm[r]. letter explains
the facts of the case fully.
As regards the claims of Sri
Ankana Swamy alias Sri Sr
Vidyananda Natha Bharati Swamy
Mr. G. Subba Rao and Mr. A. Krishn
Shastry, it is reported that the vi
recorded at the meeting in their fa
were negligible, and the Inez. Comm
thinks that the candidature of
these persons need not be furthe
considered.
15 Some Srimukhas received
from Sri Brahma Vidya nanda
Natha Bharati Swamy are placed
on the files. His Swamy Sastri
that he is a Velnadu Brahm
and a disciple of Sri Mani
Mattam that he had Asrama
from the late Swamy and is
fit for the place, and reques
that his candidature may be

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21 D. 1348 & 12.5.26 recd from Maharaja Shya Siddanti Swi Sankara Sastriyar forwarding Evidences to show that Sri Brahma Vidya nanda natha Bharati Swamigale is the only Lawful & eligible successor to the Avam Ster.

16 The Dy Com's letter and the Mag Com's forwarding Com's show what took place in the Committee meeting at which I also was present as an observer. About 150 persons posed themselves as disciples of the Swami but only a handful of the audience (including myself) separated themselves as non disciples. The Vakils received on behalf of the several Claimants are correctly shown in the Dy Com's letter.

17 But the most regrettable feature of the proceedings of the meeting was that the claims of the person actually claiming the Pitā were not examined & scrutinised, nor were Evidences if any in support of his claims called for & rec'd.

18 The Pet's presented by Maharaja Peethadipathi Sri Sankara Sastriyar personally & the Vakil members adduced unreliable Evidence to show that Sri Brahma Vidya Swamigal &

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is the only lawful & eligible S to the Pitha. The reasons therein are briefly this :—

(1) Sri Brahma Vidyananda Natha Swamigalu alias Onkara Swami was by reason of Erudition, Scholarship, Yoga, ~~&~~ Tapas & other Qualifications inducted into Sanyasa Asrama by the late Swamigalu of the Avinii Matt, who however had on account of his early demise no time or opportunity to inform the Govt. of his action.

(2) There is documentary Evidence to show that the initiation actually took place

(3) The present agent Rama Subbaiah ~~accused~~ who conducted the necessary correspondence between the late Swamigalu & ~~him~~ besides the present Claimant & also the Vidwan of the late Swamigalu viz Devanaga Samudra Rama Swami Sastry are both alive & can bear testimony to the fact

(4) The late Swamis Mother who is also alive also aware of the fact, and knows that the Claimant [illegible]

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obsequial ceremonies of the late Swamijalu at Bangalore at which the Rt. Hon'ble Pandyaja and many persons were present. [I am also aware of this fact]. He has performed 13 aradhanai to the late Swamijalu since the time of his demise up to date.

(5) The Sri Brahmarshi Rajarshi Nadha Bhanda Swamijalu having been the Pattada Swami Srishya has travelled over a large part of the Madras Residency & the Mysore State and doing a great deal of religious & social work on behalf of the late Swami.

(6) Tho' there is a claimant for the matt, it is not right to say that the High Priest-ship of the matt is vacant

(7) The Swami has by his tours and Expedition made many men of high positions and enlightenment his Srishyas in the Madras Residency & in the Mysore State.

(8) The Swami who is the Claimant to the Pitha is a Brahmin

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in the line of Sashaic Sense of the term. Any unmarried man cannot be called a Brahmacharin, while married men can be Brahmacharins provided they follow certain strict rules of conduct as regards leading household lives. The Mahamahopadhyaya quotes certain texts from Sutra-samhitas in support of this view

(9) There were in the time of Swami Mata Eleven Brahmanas who occupied this pontifical seat.

(10) The practice of including non married young men & boys into Sanyasa Asrama is due to the want of married men of the requisite qualifications for the place.

(11) Sri Brahmananda Saraswati Mata Khanata Swamijee observes all the requisites of a Brahmacharin & is the only lawful & fit successor to the Gita.

19 Even considering the future well being of the math, it does not seem to be conducive to the just

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The matter appears to be selected by the Rita, as the ~~Sovereign~~ ~~Rajah~~ ~~likes~~ experience of the Sovereign matter has shown. And as shown by the Maharaja Dayaja ~~Rajah~~ in his Pet^n, Sri Krishna Vidya Nanda Natha Swamigalu answers all the requirements of ~~Rajah~~ the High Priest ship of the Hindu Mati

respectfully submitted for orders.

Rev. Secy 18/5/26

Rev. Secy
Please let me know the
wishes of the
Govt is.
18/5
18/5

The writer is
Mr B. Ramaiya.
Supdt of the Section
Govt
21.5.26

24) The Mysore Commissioner proposal for the appointment of a committee to select the most suitable candidate deserves consideration

1st Secretary 18/5

I do not consider it necessary to appoint a committee in this case for the selection of a successor to the late Swamy. So long as there is no religious Bar to his appointment, & a Sanyasi for the Succession is ready & available person is available among them. I am strongly in favour of such an appointment & his appointment & in my view both Governments

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Office of the
Govt. of India
14 MAY 1926
No. 8335

[illegible] Education & training & his uncertain chances of his turning out a successful

[illegible] We have seen his claims & he is a relation one (a son Omkarnath) who has received sanyasa abroad from the late Swamiji & has been working for his success (though he does not stay with Shaganna & has not) and who is the recognised piety & the Swamiji in Shastras is not a law, even if influential persons [illegible] Ex Govt of Mysore protest for his Sastra.

For these reasons as well as those contained in previous letters, Paramacharya Sivadasan was selected, & even if there is [illegible] Brahmin-vidwan the claim for the same would have to be favourably [illegible] for success in Thanjavur

Devas

14/5

No Reply

Please bring this up

16/5

No Mysore Commn or commn may be appd, he may be asked to suggest the name of Committee Members. No Mysore need, however, be said as to whether we can treat the

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Letter from the Petitioners and a memorandum by the Bombay Chamber. Matter considered with materials which the opinion expressed at the public meeting held at Bombay fully considered, it is not necessary for Govt to express their views on that point at this stage.

Sm
21/5/25.

CRO 21.5.25.

27) Draft letter to the Mercy Comm. is submitted, 21/5

Sd 21.5.26 for approval.

235/225

Rev Secy. 21/5

2nd member)

CRO 22.5.26

28) Appl Mem 23/5/26

CRO 25/5

23 No. 1506 of 26.5.26 To MC.
States that Govt approve of this proposal to appoint a Committee & requests him to submit the personnel

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From the Mug Comr No. C.12269 26-25-
9-6-26 Submits the names
Certain Gentlemen for the formation
of a committee for the nomination
of a successor to the Rtee.

2) The names suggested by the
Mug Comr are:—

1. Rao Bahr H Krishna Sastry Esq
2. M. Venkata Krishnaiah Esq
3 Pandit Ramaswamy Sastrigal
4 Mahamahopadhyaya Sdiva
Sankara Sastry.
5. Maha Mahopadhyaya Narasimha
Sastry
6. D. Venkatarah Esq B A BL
Kolar

with the Mug: Comr as Chairman.

3) Submit for orders

Rev. Secy

9.6.26

9/6

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Received on
12 JUN. 1926
Reg No. 01266

651
10/6

II nd member

4) The members proposed are suitable 9.6.26.
and the Mysore Comrs recommendation
may be appd —

Dewan)

Mysore
10.6.26
Rev
10.6.26

5) Appd
M
13.6.26

approved

Submitted

~~[illegible]~~

It will perhaps be desirable to obtain the gracious assent of Their Majesties for the Removal of the Committee Orders done in the Case of the Archdeacon's Marks Successors.

Jor orders.
15/6/26
Rev. Sec'y

I do not know the circumstances under which the sanction of the Privy Council was obtained to form a Committee in the case referred to, but I think it is

GW 24/6

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out of the General Cash Book of the office and opening a small subsidiary note book only in respect of it, thus facilitating the burking of information from the officers when there was a change of incumbents.

(6) Similar laxity in respect of the Dasara Exhibition contingent charges of 1920

(7) District

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36) Draft letter to the M.C is for approval

15.6.26 - Rev. Secy

37) A Draft to the M C is put up for approval. I have added a sentence regarding the views expressed at the Bombay Meeting being taken into consideration by the Committee in accordance with the Dewan's minute ~~note~~ dated 21.5.26. This is for approval.

2nd member)

16-6-26.

791/17-6

A. I do not think this is necessary. The action taken so far will naturally be considered by the Committee and we need not draw ~~the~~ the special attention of the committee to this point.

The draft as appd may be issued

6.26

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By) Issue at once

17.6.26

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25 To. mur Cocanada Camp. No C 8/17.6
Conveys the appl.
of Govt. to the gentlemen pro-
posed by him being nominated
to form the Committee for in
selection of a successor to
Avadi matt.

dw 9/7 26. From, the Mag. Coma
Letter no C. 1226 dy 23 7 1926.
Reports that the preliminary
meeting of the Committee is fixed
for the 9th August 1926, and
requests orders in the matter of
having The Kolar Dy. Coma also on
Committee as he is intimately
conversant with the affairs of the
Mats.

(1) There are now 6 men on the
Committee with the Mag. Coma
as Chairman (Vide Sls. 24 & 25).
Submit. for orders. For perusal.
Mr 26.7.26 (2) The M.C considers it
desirable to have the
Dy. Comr. of Kolar also on the
Committee, because, (1) he is
intimately conversant with the matts
affairs, & (2) he has presided over the
two meetings of the Matt disciples Committee
for the purpose. The request is early

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1 and
or

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orders. As desired, the D.C of Kolar may, with advantage, be included in the Committee.

(43) Submitted for orders.

Rev. Sec'y

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA IN COUNCIL.
27 JULY 1926
No. 589

Gen
26.7.26

(44) 2nd member) The Mr C's proposal may be appd and copy of Comm's to him Sent to D.C. Kolar

28/7/26

draft early
GRS
28.7.26

Dft submitted (45) Issue at once.

AV 28.7.26 28/7/26

27.7.26.

Mesy Comm's No 152 dy 28.7.26. conveys appt. to the Mr Comm's proposal made above

No 153 dy 28.7.26. copy of the above to D.C. Kolar

J , the

Ltr no C.1 dy 11-8-

Sri ltr report

C fm in Sec 27.

he Comr promised

JWS 30/7

The T/R question is being dealt with in a despatch

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P. U. D.

From the Mcy Comr No. C 1226 of 24-28
Submits Copy of the Progs of the meeting
of the Committee appointed to consider
the question of nominating a me
to the Aroni Sta held on the 9th Augt 28.
and recommends the suggestion
Contd in the Progs &c.

The Resolution of the Committee is
"That the selection of a suitable Brahmin officer
"of the Velnad Community, if possible,
"should be made with the advice of
"His Highness the Rajah of Cochin,
"subject to the final approval of the
"Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja - Persons
"interested in the matter will be at liberty
"to suggest any suitable candidate in
"view, for the consideration of His Highness
"the Rajah of Cochin.

The Brahmin Shri so selected shd,
after induction into Sanyasa Asrama
and installation on the Sitte, be depu
to undergo education & training under H. H. the
Rajah of Cochin for such period as may be
found necessary, before assuming
the direct administration of the Matt.
"During the above mentd period,
"the Matt to continue, as heretofore
"under the direct Management of
"Govt."

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Copies of the opinions of the members that the opinions are ~~divided~~ divided.

Messrs Venkata Krishniah and V. Krishna Sastri are of opinion that the Ookara Swamis should have a voice in the selection of the Ookara chairs while Messrs Siddhanta Siva Sankara Sastri & Ramaswami Sastri who say they have personal knowledge of the Ookara Swamis having been inducted into the Sangara Ammas by the Previous Swamigales with a view to his succeeding him & the files are of opinion that the Records with him should be scrutinised, ~~that~~ that arrangements shd be made not to break the "Paramparai" & that after due Examn. this Swamis is found not suitable, the arrangements ~~should be made~~ proposed might be made. Messrs Viswanatha Sastri and D. Venkatesiah are of opinion that the matter should be subt. to His Highness' Govt for Orders ~~after~~ Consulting H. H. the Srimat Jagadguru

It is respectfully submitted that to leave the selection to His Holiness the Srimat Jagadguru, will perhaps be resented by the disciples of the Swamis Mutt. The two Mutts are

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Quite independent of each other with different Paramparas and different traditions. Nor is it likely that Sri Vaishnavas of Srirangam will interfere in a matter like this connected with another matt. Sri Vaishnavas of Srirangam matt will not himself induct any Brahmachari into Sanyasa Asrama, for, in that case, the person so inducted will belong to the Paramparas (ஸம்ப்ரதாயம்) of the Srirangam matt & cannot be the head of another matt like Ahobilam or Srirangam or any other matt.

4) The Mag Comr says that "the consideration of the claims of Sri Venkata Swami, if any, was not "one of the terms of reference to the "Committee by Govt." This did not dispense with the Mag Comr calling for the records and examining them with a view of getting at the truth or otherwise of the statements of the members of the Committee who deposed to them, at the meeting.

5) The proposals submitted by the Mag Comr are for orders.

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This proposal was made by the Mag Comr as a result of the meeting of Vaishnavas in Sept-'25 and on receipt of a petition from the devotees. Another meeting was ordered to be held at Kumbakonam, where such a proposal was not made.

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51 An application received from Messrs T. R. Somasundra Aiyar (Asst. Secy. Hqrs) K. S. Ramachandra Iyer (Supt. SRS) K. Subrahmanyan (Asst. Compiler) P. R. Subrahmanya Sastry (Retd. Hd. master) and other gentlemen of the Mallesvaram, 1st is placed on the file. The Rt. goes into the previous history of the matt. and discusses the claims of the Sri Dr. Narasimhi who is now in Mallesvaram for the pista, and the Sct. says that this Swami who, they say, possesses Legends of this having been initiated into Sanyasa Asrama by the previous Swamigalu May be appointed Successor to the seat.

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56 The M. C's letter with 31. 8. 26 a copy of the Proceedings of the Selection Committee, appointed by Govt. for the purpose, is for kind perusal

The M. C states that the Conclusions as embodied in the resolutions arrived at, were unanimous, & that the subsequent observations of a few members in recording their concurrence in the resolutions, do not affect the said resolutions, but merely repeat the points raised in the discussions.

57 The Opinions received

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some of
by the Members (i.e, messrs Venkata-
-krishniah, K. Krishna Sastry, Sri
Sivasankara Sastry & Pandit Rameswary
Sastry) ~~are of~~ cannot however said
to be in entire accord with the
Committee resolution, (as pointed
out, above by the Supt.). In fact,
messrs Siddhanta Sivasankara Sastry
& Pandit Rameswary Sastry
& note that they have personal
knowledge of the Sri Gnkaraswamy
having received induction from the
previous Avani Swami pala. ~~That~~
~~the records, to this effect~~ M.Y.S.
Sivasankara Sastry is emphatically
of opinion that Sri Gnkaraswami
& the records with him should be
examined, for the settlement of
this question of succession, & that
the present proposal of the Committee
is regrettable as it would break
the "Parampara". The Committee
resolution ~~as~~ is not unanimous.
5. The petition now submitted (FW)
by several Citizens of Mallesvaram
gives the history of the matter &
urges the claims of Gnkaraswamy
to the Vacant Peeta, adding that they
are records with him to prove
his claims.

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It is for consideration as to how far the committee resolution, if accepted as strongly recommended by the M.C. as the best solution of this much contested question," ~~is for orders~~ & It is for consideration if the claims of Entavaswamy should not also be investigated, with reference to the records said to be with him, & a report called for, from the Mez. Commr., to whom the present petition (H.W.) may be sent.

Submitted for orders.

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56 The Committee have suggested that a successor to the Swami must Peeta should be selected by the Swami of the Sringeri mutt subject to the final approval of His Highness the Maharaja

57 According to the rules ~~regarding~~ regulating succession among Mathipathies however the choice of a successor, when a Swami dies without giving sannyasa to any person, lies with His Highness who will naturally be guided by the wishes of the community. His Highness may of course consult any person in selecting a candidate and the Sringeri Swami may be informally consulted by His Highness. But in the recommendations of the Committee who would leave the initiative in

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regard to the selection of the Swami of the Sringeri is opposed to the rules and cannot be accepted.

58 It is also likely to be opposed to the wishes of the community who are chiefly interested in the matter i.e. the disciples of the mutt. It will be noticed that the main recommendation of the Committee is exactly what was resolved upon at the Public meeting held at Kollar on 20.9.25. The Govt. did not accept the resolution of the meeting as it was not confined to the disciples of the mutt.

At the Bowringpet meeting held on 3.4.26. confined to the disciples of the mutt no recommendation was made that the or New Swami should be selected by the Sringeri guru.

59 As the resolution of the Committee is not very helpful the whole question remains exactly where it was and its solution is not much advanced. Govt. will have to decide this question themselves. The points for consideration would seem to be:- (1) whether the previous Swami gave asrama to any one before this death or not; what the best methods which can be adopted for this Highness to select a successor

60 In regard to (1) Omkaraswami claims to have been inducted by the previous Swami. It seems to me obvious that this question should be thoroughly investigated. In case Omkaraswami was inducted by the late guru this claim to succession is unassailable and all disciples whether a Brahmacharis or a Grihasthas should be selected, whether the rest of the Vala Nadu Community or otherwise are entirely beside the point

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61 I beg to submit that in the first he requested to investigate this question of fact whether Venkataswami who is now reported to be in Bangalore was actually interested into the arcana Pythii late given. If report is received in the affirmative the problem of succession becomes easy. (2) If however Venkataswami cannot establish his claims then some names have to selected and the committee may be asked to select say a dozen names for submission to His Highness for consideration. His Highness maybe pleased to nominate any one out a panel of six selected candidates after consulting such men as he may wish to do amongst whom the Sangeri gurus will doubtless be one

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62. The late Swami of the Avani Mutt died on 11th April 1925 and the Mutt, has, therefore, remained without a Head for about a year and a half. The selection of a successor to the vacant Peeta has proved a difficult problem as strong partisan spirit has characterised the opinions expressed by persons who claim to be heard in making the selection.

63. The Muzrai Commissioner proposed in his letter dated 4th May 1926 the appointment of "a small committee to invite applications and select the best candidate". This proposal was approved but the Committee appointed accordingly has not made any proposal as regards the person that might be selected. The Committee has contented itself with making only a general recommendation as follows:-

> "The selection of a suitable Brahmachari of the Velnad community, if possible, should be made with the advice of His Holiness the Sringeri Jagad Guru, subject to the final approval of His Highness the Maharaja. Persons interested in the Mutt will be at liberty to suggest any suitable candidate in view, for the consideration of His Holiness the Jagad Guru".
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> "The Brahmachari so selected should, after induction into Sanyasa Asrama and installation on the Peeta, be left for education and training under His Holiness the Jagad-Guru for such period as may be found necessary, before assuming the direct administration of the Mutt."

64. This recommendation is not of much help to Government in dealing with the case and whatever value the recommendation has, is, to a large extent, discounted by the dissentient

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views expressed by some of the members of the Committee which, the Muzrai Commissioner states, were recorded subsequent to the date on which th said recommendation was unanimously adopted by the Committee.

65. Two meetings were held — the first on 20th September 1925 at Kolar and the second on the 3rd April 1926 at Bowringpet —to ascertain the wishes of the disciples of the Mutt in regard to the selection of a person to be appointed to the vacant Peeta. The views ascertained at these meetings will be seen from the following statement of points discussed and decided by votes:-

First Meeting.

Points.	Votes.	
1. Whether a Grahastha or a Brahmachari should be appointed.	For a Grahastha Against.	9. 55.
2. Whether Sri Onkarananda-natha Swamigal avaru alias Sri Brahmavidya-nandhanatha Bharathi Swamigal avarau may be recommended for nomina-tion.	In favour of the appoint-ment of this person. Against	14. 54.
3. Whether Sri Bodananda Saraswathi Swamigala-varu may be recommend-ed for nomination.	In favour of this person Against	11 45
4. What may be the final recommendation to be made to Government ?	Unanimously that "the nomination of a successor may be left in the gra-cious hands of His Highness the Maha-raja who, in con-sultation with His Holiness the Srin-geri Jagad-Guru may be pleased to appoint a suit-able Brahmachari to the Peeta.	

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Second Meeting.

Points.	Votes.	
1. Whether a Brahmachari alone should be nominated or a Grahastha might be appointed.	For the appointment of a Brahmachari ..	139
	For a Grahastha.	17
2. Whether the selection of a successor should be made only from among the disciples of the Mutt or whether the selection could be made from among non-disciples.	For selection only from among the disciples of the Mutt.	148.
	For selection from among the non-disciples also. ..	6.
3. Whether the candidate selected should belong to the Velnad community or he may belong to any other community of Smartha Brahmins.	For selection from the Velnad community. .	127.
	For selection from any other community of Smartha Brahmins.	39
4. Whether Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Branmavidyanandha Bharathi Swamigalavaru may be appointed to the Peeta.	For	20.
	Against ..	136.
5. Whether Mr. Y.Subba Rao may be appointed to the Peeta.	For	27
	Against. ..	145.
6. Whether Mr. Anekal Krishna Sastri may be appointed to the Peeta.	For	Nil.

66. The following conclusions may be considered as established from the opinions elicited at the two meetings and from the recommendations of the Committee:-

(1) Only a Brahmachari should be selected.

(2) The Brahmachari selected should be from among the disciples of the Mutt and if possible from Velnad Section of the Smartha Brahmin community.

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& (3) Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharathi Swamigalavaru should not be appointed to the Peeta.

67. Ever since the Peeta became vacant, Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharathi Swamigalavaru has been contending that he received Sanyasa from the late Swami with the object that he should succeed the latter. Although the opinion elicited at the two meetings is distinctly against the nomination of this person, there is a fairly large section

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of the public interested in the Matha in favour of his appointment. Two of the members of the Committee, Messrs Sivasankara Sastry and Ramaswami Sastry have also supported this person's nomination. Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharathi Swamigalavaru was a Grahastha before he became a Sanyasi and his appointment to the Peeta is therefore opposed to the opinion which holds that only a Brahmachari should be selected.

68. A section of the public interested in this Matha strongly recommends the appointment of a Grahastha in preferance to a Brahmachari on the ground that it is difficult to arrange for the proper training of a Brahmachari so as to ensure his leading the life of a Sanyasi commanding the regard of the public. The experience of the Mukka Matha itself does not seem to have been happy for some time and this has strengthened

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strengthened the demand of a section of the public for the appointment of a Grahastha. Against this view, there is the pronounced opinion of the disciples of the Matha recorded at both the meetings and expressed by the majority of the Committee that none but a Branmachari should be appointed. I think that the public opinion so strongly expressed in favour of the appointment of a Brahmachari has to be respected.

69. The claim of Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Branmavidyananda Bharathi Swamigalavaru to be appointed to the Peeta is not entitled to consideration on the ground that he is not a Brahmachari. The sense of the two meetings was definitely against his selection and the majority of the Committee endorse this view. In these circumstances, his case should, I think, be left out of consideration altogether. But he has been urging that he received Sanyasa from the late Swami with the object that he should succeed the latter and that, accordingly, he is ~~xxxx~~ entitled to be recognised as the Head of the Mutt. This contention has received the

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support of a section of the public which is demanding that he should either be appointed or that, at least, he should be given an opportunity to prove whether his contention is well-founded. As I have stated above, I think that this person's claim cannot be entertained

~~70.~~ In fact, we have all along assumed that

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he has no claim to the Peeta, ~~and~~ that the Headship of the Matha is vacant and that a fresh nomination has to be made. At the same time, I consider that it will be well to give him a chance of furnishing whatever proof he possesses of establishing his contention that he was given Sanyasa by the late Swami with the deliberate object that he should succeed the latter. The evidence which has been produced on his behalf and which is available in the file consists of two Srimukas[x] relating to his Sanyasa stated to have been addressed to him by the late Swami. These two Srimukas do not show that the late Swami ordained this person into Sanyasa with the object that he should succeed him. The late Swami did not apply for the approval of Government to the appointment of this person to succeed him, either when the former is reported to have given Sanyasa to the latter, or afterwards during the long interval ~~period~~ of about 9 years ~~before~~ between the date on which this person is alleged to have been given Sanyasa and date of the late Swami's death. That the late Swami intended this person to succeed him is, therefore, not borne out by the documents so far produced. If he has any more documentary proof, he may be requested to produce them. It may be made clear to him that none but documentary evidence will be accepted ~~supporting his claim. Some have stated that if this person's claim is not recognised, it would be taken before~~

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~~before a Court of Law and this is another reason for ascertaining if there is any real foundation to support his contention~~.

70. I understand that this person is now in Bangalore and a communication may be addressed to him to forward within a week the documents, if any, on the strength of which he claims that he was given Sanyasa by the late Swami with the object that he should succeed the latter. In the absence of the sanction of Government obtained by the late Swami to the appointment of this person as his successor and in view of the opposition of a large section of the public to the nomination of this person, his claim cannot be entertained but before rejecting it finally we may give him an opportunity to represent his case with a view to satisfy the section of the public which supports his claim. Some have stated that if this person's claim is not recognised, it would be taken before a Court of Law and this is another reason for ascertaining if there is any real foundation to support his contention.

71. There is one point relating to his being ordained into Sanyasa which is not clear from the records. The Srimuka on which he relies to prove that he received Sanyasa from the late Swami shows that his ordaining was on 9th October 1916 at Kangundi-Kuppam. A letter written mahazar made at Mysore, however, shows that he received San-

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Sanyasa not at Kanjunini-Kuppam in the year 1916, but in the temple of Baksni-Narasappa at Mysore about the year 1920. This letter is signed by some respectable people of the Palace. If what is stated in this document is reliable, this person did not receive Sanyasa from the late Swami at Kanjunini-Kuppam and this is one more reason for rejecting this claim. We may send this letter to Mr. C. Rajagopalachari with the request that he may make enquiries of some of the respectable signatories to it and tell us if the facts mentioned in it are correct.

73. As regards the selection of a person to appointed to the vacant seat, this Mission may be requested to suggest, after consulting some of the respectable peoples of the Mutt, the names of three Brahmins belonging to the peoples of the Vaishnava persuasion from Government may select one. I do not mean to Mr. Holmes the Swami of the Shringeri Mutt will advise us in the selection of a Brahmin. If he does, it will greatly help us in making the final choice. The Mysore Commissioner may, therefore, be asked to request Mr. Holmes the Swami of the Shringeri Mutt to help us in finding suitable person for the vacancy. Some persons have taken objection to the Shringeri Mutt being consulted in this matter on the ground that this objection is entitled to no consideration. The advice and help of Mr. Holmes who is

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the Sringeri Mutt would be the best which we can get in chosing a person for the present Mutt and if it is available, we should have no hesitation in taking it.

79. The action suggested in paras 70 and 71 may be taken first and afterwards that proposed in para 72.

DEWAN.)

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I agree.
JM
29.10.26

Drafts putup may be issued.
The letter to be sent to Mr. S.P. Rajagopalachariar should be sent enclosed in a registered cover directed to his personal address.
Vmc
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Issued.

I put up the perusal Khurshid received from Sri Omkaranandam this day, forwarding the original Sanad alleged to have been written by the late Swamiji in 1916.

This document has been referred to in the proceedings below.

It is seen that the late Swamiji had issued blank forms sealed for use on occasions by his disciples. What might also be attached

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to the Sanads produced by the gentleman is a matter for careful consideration -

Apparently there are no other documents in support of the claim -

If any further investigation regarding the genuineness of the Sanads and its value is considered necessary for the disposal of the case, extracts from the Mutta Registers if any, have to be examined and oral evidence re the grant of Sanads as also have to be obtained - taken -

Reply from the Huzur Secretary may be awaited -

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A. Yes.

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In reply to the communication addressed to him for submitting documentary proof, if any, he has to support his claim to the vacant Avani Peeta, Onkaranandanatha Swami has been able to produce only one Srimuka which is alleged to have been issued by the late Swami and in which it is stated that Onkaranandanatha Swami was ordained into Sanyasa at Kangundipuppam on 9th October 1916. This is one of the Srimukas referred to in para 69 of the Notes. For reasons stated therein, this Srimuka cannot be considered as affording any reliable evidence to indicate the real desire of the late Swami as to who should succeed him.

The reply received from the Huzur Secretary shows that Onkaranandanatha Swami received Sanyasa at Mysore in the year 1923 and not at Kangundipuppam in the year 1916 as stated by This is another reason for discarding it al

The Now action may be taken on the line suggested in para 72 of the Notes and approved by the Dewan.

The Sringeri Mutt considers that the Ava Mutt is subordinate to it and that it has accordingly a claim to be consulted in regard to the appointment of persons to the headship of the Avani Mutt. This claim has not been subsequently and it is undesirable to give any opportunity to the Sringeri Mutt to strengthen its claim. In view of these considerations, the idea of consulting

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the Sringeri Mutt in regard to the selection of a Brahmachari for the Avani Peeta may be given up.

The following three drafts may be put up:

(1) A brief order on the whole case. The Muzrai Commissioner may be requested to take action on the lines suggested in para 72 of the Note and submit a very early report. It may be stated that if three Branmacharis who belong to the Velnad community and who are eligible in every respect for the Peeta, cannot be suggested, the names of Brahmacharis of other sections of the Smartha community who are disciples of the Avani Mutt, may be proposed. It is not necessary to refer in this order to the Srimukh produced by Onkaranandanatha Swami or the enquiries made about its genuineness. It is enough to say that his claim cannot be accepted as public opinion is strongly in favour of the selection of a Brahmachari and as no sanction of Government was obtained by the late Swami to the alleged ordainment by him of Onkaranandanadha Swami into Sanyasa with the object that the latter should succeed the former.

(2) Final Note for submitting the case to His Highness.

(3) A letter to the Muzrai Commissioner. The petitions in which the appointment of a Brahmachari called Krishnamurthi has been suggested, may be sent to him for disposal. He may be informed that he need not consult the Swami

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Please bring up clean copy of this D as received. HS

A draft order and letter & draft letter & the docs: Comr. with a draft final note one sub. -

3 drafts for approval

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Please put up for final note

Final Note signed by the Members & put up

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Final Note by the Second Member of Council.

Subject:—

Succession to the Sri Avani Mutt in the Kolar District.

In continuation of my Final Note dated 13th December 1926 in the matter of succession to Sri Avani Mutt, I beg to state that the Peetah has been vacant for the last one year and half. The selection of a successor for the Headship of the Mutt has proved a difficult problem as strong partisan spirit has characterised the opinions expressed by persons who claim to be heard in making the selection. Two meetings of disciples were held to ascertain their wishes but nothing definite was settled at the meetings owing to differences of opinion among them. A Committee consisting of six members with the Huzrai Commissioner as Chairman was thereupon appointed to invite applications and select the best candidate. But the Committee has not made any definite recommendation as regards the person to be selected to the vacant Peetah. The Committee's recommendation which is extracted below, is of a general nature and some of the members of the Committee, after having agreed to this recommendation, have also recorded views differing from it.

* 1. Rao Bahadur H.Krishna Sastry, Esq., Retired Superintendent of Archaeology Chamarajpet.
2. M. Venkatakrishniah, Esq., Mysore.
*3. Pandit Devaroyasamudram Ramaswami Sastrigal, Ulsurpet, Bangalore.
4. Mahamahopadhyaya Sidhanti Siva Sankara Sastriar, Sunkenahalli, Basavangudi, Bangalore.
5. Mahavidwan Mahamahopadyaya Vidyanidhihi Virupaksha Sastrigal, Sringeri Mutt, Bangalore.
6. D. Venkatesaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, Kolar.

> "The selection of a suitable Brahmachari of the Velnad community, if possible, should be made with the advice of His Holiness the Sringeri Jagad Guru, subject to the final approval of His Highness the Maharaja. Persons interested in the Mutt will be

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at liberty to suggest any suitable candidate in view, for the consideration of His Holiness the Jagad Guru."

"The Brahmachari so selected should, after induction into Sanyasa Asrama and installation on the Peeta, be left for education and training under His Holiness the Jagad Guru for such period as may be found necessary before assuming the direct administration of the Mutt."

2. The following conclusions may be considered as established from the opinions elicited at the two meetings and from the recommendations of the Committee:-

(1) Only a Brahmachari should be selected.

(2) The Brahmachari selected should be from among the disciples of the Mutt and if possible, from the Velnad Section of the Smartha Brahmin community.

(3) Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharatni Swamigalavaru should not be appointed to the Peetah.

3. The claim of Sree Onkarananda natha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharatni Swamigalavaru to be appointed to the Peetah is not entitled to consideration because he is not a Brahmachari and also because the late Swami did not obtain the sanction of Government as required by the Standing Orders to the appointment of this person to succeed him, even if he ordained him into Sanyasa.

4. In the circumstances, it is proposed to require the Muzrai Commissioner to suggest the names of three suitable Brahmacharis after consulting some of the respectable disciples of the Mutt. The Dewan has agreed to this suggestion. A draft order giving the facts of the case and indicating the course of action proposed to be taken for the selection of a suitable candidate to succeed to the Peetah has accordingly been prepared. In view of the unproved contention of the Sringeri Mutt that the Avani Mutt should be regarded as subordinate to it, it is not proposed to consult the former Mutt in regard to the selection of a Brahmachari, as suggested in the general recommendation of the Committee.

5. On receipt of the Muzrai Commissioner's suggestion, a specific recommendation as to which particular candidate may be selected, will be submitted for the gracious approval of His Highness.

Bangalore,
10th January 1927.

MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second Member of Council on the subject of the succession to the Sri Avani Mutt in the Kolar District for His Highness' gracious approval.

Mirza M. Ismail

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Draft letter to Brahmavidyanandanatha Bharati Swamigal re: the original Srimukha granting grant etc. is ordered & appd.

Sd/ 21.1.27

Appd by Chief Secy. Sd/ 21.1.27

31. To Mer Comms No 1313 dt 21.1.27
~~In pursuance of~~ Rejecting the claims of Sri Dr Ramaswami for the Aroor Tile ~~the question of succession to this~~ matter directs that the names of three Brahmacharies of requisite qualifications be intimated to Govt within 2 weeks for choosing a successor.

32. To. Mer Comms No 1314 dt 21.1.27
Forwards for disposal certain petns suggesting that Pandit Sri Krishnamurthy Sastry may be appointed to the Vacant Peetam.

33. To. Gurucharanananda Swamy
No 1337 dt 22.1.27
Returns the Srimukha (original) sanctioning this grant & requests him to acknowledge receipt of the same.

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Enclosure & one bill.

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to Deputy Commissioner's letter dated 3-10-28 (copy sent with my letter of the 14th October 1928) reporting that he could discover no authority for confining the selection to the Veluvadu community I agree with the view and consider that the succession to the matt should not be confined to any particular sub-section, but it should be open to all sections of the Brahmin community ---- possessing allegiance to the matt.

As regards the claims advanced on behalf of Sri --- Omkara and Sri Sri Sri Vidyaprasanna Theertha Swami, Mr. V. Subba Rao and Mr. Anand Krishna Sastri, the Deputy Commissioner does not hold himself bound by the views recorded at the meeting in their presence originally.

In the circumstances the candidature of these persons need not be further considered.

As regards the appointment of a committee to select a suitable Pradhana Sishya, the Deputy Commissioner states that it is a matter for the selection of Government.

7. I am of opinion that the views expressed at the meeting as to the selection of a Pradhana Sishya may be accepted and the selection should be governed by the beauty contest and need not be confined to Veluvadu matt only, as originally suggested by Mr. Krishna Rao. As regards the actual selection it seems to me to be highly desirable to appoint a small committee consisting of Sri Subba Rao and 3 Pandits with the Mudras -- Vaishnava and Smartha -- to interview the -- candidates and select the suitable candidate. The personnel of the committee will be selected by the Deputy Commissioner and submitted, if the proposal is agreed to, to Government for approval.

I enclose herewith a list of the Veluvadu Community as on 1st January 1928 as furnished by the Deputy Commissioner.

The Deputy Commissioner's letter and its enclosure are returned herewith.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C.R. Balasundaram Jr.
Under Secretary.

C.2436/34-35

Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

Dated, Kolar, 19th day of April 1926.

From

S. Hiriannaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your memo. No.C.1936/34-35 dated 16th February 1926 regarding the nomination of a successor to the Sri Anandi matt, I have the honor to state that as directed by Government a meeting of the disciples of the matt was convened for the 3rd April 1926 and notices of the meeting were --- freely circulated in the Districts of Kolar, Bangalore, Tumkur, --- Chitaldrug and Mysore as well as in the Districts of North Arcot Chittoor, Salem, Nellore and Madras in which places a large number of the disciples of the matt are believed to reside. The notice (copy of which is enclosed) was also published in the English and Kannada issues of the Mysore Gazette as well as in selected news papers both English and Kannada in the State and in the "Hindu" of Madras.

2. The meeting was fixed for 4-30 P.M. in the Alagiri Naidu Hall at Bowringpet and by that hour the hall was full to its purpose dias had been put practically at the appointed hour. There were in all about 150 disciples of the Matt present at the meeting. Outsiders were not allowed to join them. Visitors who were not disciples of the matt were given seats in a separate block behind the audience.

3. Representatives had come from Bangalore, Doddaballapur, Mysore, Kolar Kolar Gold Fields, Bowringpet, Arkalgud, Varigambadi, Tiptur, Gubbi and various other places. All possible care was taken at the commencement of the meeting and before to separate the non-disciples from the disciples and I am satisfied that the vast majority of the audience, if not the entire audience, was composed of disciples. During the course of the proceedings I requested all non-disciples to withdraw and several gentlemen did so. Persons below 18 years of age were also excluded.

4. The discussions as well as the voting were strictly to the disciples of the matt. A summary of the discussions is for reference. It will be seen therefrom that as at the first meet the discussions began with the question whether a Grihistha or a -- Brahmachari should be nominated. Some of the representatives notably Mr. K.A. Krishnaswami Iyer, Retired Head Master, Bangalore, expressed the ~~xx~~ view that the appointment of a Grihistha was not opposed to Sastraic injunctions and that the ~~field~~ for the selection of an --- eligible guru should not unnecessarily be curtailed. But the vast majority of the members who took part in the discussions were strongly of the view that in this Peeta the tradition of appointing a Brahmachari should be kept up notwithstanding the permissive provisions to the contrary in the Sastras. The discussions then shifted towards the claims urged on behalf of Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyanandanatha Bharathi Swamigalavaru and Messrs. Srikantaiya of Mysore, and H. Venkatrama Sastry of Bangalore spoke supporting the claims of the said Swamigalu. But Messrs. K ----- Venkatachalaiya (Pleader, Robertsonpet), Nageswara Iyer, (Pleader, Kolar) Chengaiya of Ambur, Ramseshaiya of Vaniyambadi, Narayana Rao (School Master, Avani) and many others spoke against the Swamigalu's claims. The discussions lasted for nearly four hours and as there remained no one to speak votes were taken on the issues specified below ~~xxx~~ which were clearly raised at the meeting.

At about 6 P.M. about half a dozen members of whom Mr. K.A. Krishnaswami Iyer of Bangalore was one, left the meeting to catch the express train for Bangalore as they could not stay at Bowringpet for the night. I consulted the assembly whether the discussions should be concluded at that stage or continued and an overwhelming majority expressed their wishes to continue the discussions which, as already stated, continued till about 7-30 P.M. The absence of the six --- members does not materially affect the validity of the conclusions as the result of the voting will show.

Issues.	Result of the voting.
1. Whether a Brahmachari alone should be nominated as a successor to the -- Peeta or a Grihistha might be -- appointed.	For the appointment of only a Brahmachari / For a Grihistha

	Whether the selection of a successor should be made only from among the disciples of the Matt or whether the selection could be made from among the non-disciples.	For selection from among the disciples only. For selection from among Non-disciples also
3.	Whether the candidate selected should belong to the Velnadu community or he may belong to any other community of Smartha Brahmins.	For selection from Velnadu community only For selection from any other section of Smartha Brahmins.
4.	Whether Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Prahmavidyanandanatha Bharathi Swamigalavaru may be --- appointed to the Peeta.	For Against
5.	Whether Mr. Y. Subba Rao of Bangalore may be appointed to the Peeta.	For Against
6.	and whether Mr. Anekal Krishna Sastry may be appointed to the Peeta.	For N i l.

5. As an overwhelming majority of the disciples are in favour of the selection of a Brahmachari and as this would also be in conformity with the recent tradition of the Matt I feel bound to state that the selection of a Grihistha would not be ~~proper~~ Notwithstanding that an influential section are of opinion that the appointment of a Grihistha has its own undeniable advantages.

6. Only a word or two is needed about the other resolutions. Nos. 2 and 3 about confining the nomination to the Sishyas of the Matt and the Velnadu community of Andhra Brahmins can not be said to have the same wide sanction as resolution no.1 and I am informed that there is no unbroken tradition limiting the field of choice in this manner. I may be permitted to invite attention to paragraph 6 of my confidential letter No.C.C.3486/34-35 dated 3-10-1934. In fact a representation has been received from Mr. P.S.Subramanya Sastry, B.A. L.T., Retired Head Master, now at Coimbatore, on behalf of the Tamil community -- urging on this occasion a selection from among the Dravida Brahmin -- Community.

7. As regards the appointment of Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Prahmavidyanandanatha Bharathi Swamigalavaru the claim is rather high and the claim on his behalf that he was so appointed Yuvaraj by the late Swamigalu was vigorously canvassed from various standpoints. Some papers were filed by Mr. Ramachandra Sastry of Kolar to show that it was not unusual for the late Swamigal to send blank forms of --- Arimukha to Sishyas. One Mr. Ramaswami Sastry of Bangalore stated that he was present when Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru was [illegible] by the late Swamigalu at Kuppam some years ago but [illegible]

Mr. Neeraramham Surappa, Contractor and a resident of Kuppam who also said to be the local mathamudre and who was present at the meeting stated that he had never heard of the grant of any such asrama. The two other candidates whose claims were urged at the meeting, viz., Mr. Y. Subba Rao and Mr. Anekal Krishna Sastry, received even less support than Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru.

8. After the close of the meeting some members approached me -- requesting that a committee might be appointed by Government to select a suitable Brahmachari for the Peeta. I have also since received a written representation in the matter by post purporting to be from Mahamahopadhyaya Mahavidwan Siddhanthi Sivasankara Sastry and others suggesting names for the constitution of such a committee (vide Pherist No.D). This is a matter for the consideration of Government.

9. Final orders in the matter are solicited.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) S.Hiriannaiya,

Deputy Commissioner.
Kolar District.

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for Chief Commissioner.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
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Robertsonpet,
Kolar Gold Fields,
29th March 1926.

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In the public meeting held in the Kanthana Dharma Sabha at 7 P.M. on 28th March 1926 under the Presidency of P.V. Rajagopala Rao, the following resolutions were passed :-

I THAT the vacant seat of the Avani Mutt in Kolar District be filled up by a proper and suitable Candidate, nominated in accordance with the Dharma Sastras, giving due consideration to the custom existing in the said Mutt and this House prefer such a candidate as may be duly elected by persons already contesting the seat, to the person nominated to direct the adoption of the following resolution :-

Proposed by V.N. Subbaraya Setty, Contractor.
Seconded by " B.Venkataramiah, Jeweller, Bethamangala.
Passed unanimously.

II That only a [illegible] be elected.

Moved by [illegible].
Seconded by [illegible].
Passed unanimously.

III THAT in any event [illegible] never be elected for the [illegible].

Moved by P.R. [illegible].
Seconded by [illegible].
Passed unanimously.

IV THAT as the public especially Border Inhabitants [illegible] of the applicants viz :- [illegible] secure the Mutt in an [illegible] entrusted to one of the [illegible]

is also a paid teacher "Bridhaka Adhyapaka , which is an act prohibited under the Sastras and as such disqualified for the honour and responsibility of the Holy Order.

Moved by Mr. K. Venkatramaiah.

Seconded by Mr. D. Gopala Rao, Jodinar.

Passed unanimously.

V THAT the President be requested to submit the above Resolutions to :-

1. The Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor of Mysore.
2. The Hon'ble Member of Council, Bangalore.
3. The Hon'ble Dewan, Baroda.
4. The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.
5. The Press.

with a prayer that the Government may be pleased to carry out the desire of the public in this respect by taking suitable action before the session arranged to be held at Bowringpet on the 3rd April 1926.

Moved by Mr. [illegible].

Seconded by Mr. [illegible].

Passed unanimously.

VI Mr. Thirumala Srimulu, after words, proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman which was carried by all.

K. Rajagopalachari

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పుస్తకము సంపాదించిన వారు ఆర్కైవ్స్ కొరకు ఇచ్చినవారు
పుస్తకము యొక్క వివరములు ఇవ్వండి.

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ఇవ్వండి.

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C/12260/24-25 Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.
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Dated Bangalore, 12th May 1926.
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From

R. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

B. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter C.No.12260/24-25 dated the 4th instant, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of -- letter No.R.C.C.2136/24-25 dated 7th May 1926 from the Deputy -- Commissioner, Kolar District giving enclosure to the letter received from Mr. K. A. Krishnaswami Iyer, Retired Head Master, expressing his views about the election of a candidate to the Sri Ahobala Pe ta.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
for Muzrai Commissioner.
(Absent from Station)

Submitted for perusal & Orders - The Manifolio may kindly be sent back to this Dept for the Persons valuable.
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May be placed in the file
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Letter No.R.C.C.3486/24-2f dated 7th April 1926 from the
Mr. Commissioner Kolar District to the Mirasi Commissioner,
Mysore.

"In continuation of my letter No.R.C.C.3486/24-2f dated 30
April 1926, forwarding the proceedings of the meeting held on the
3rd ultimo in connection with the selection of a candidate for
the Peeta of the Sri Mavli Matt, I have the honour to forward ---
herewith letter dated 30th April 1926 from Mr. K.N.Krishnaswami
Iyer, B.A., Retired Head Master, Bangalore, expressing his views
in the matter.

"C o p y"

for Mirasi Commissioner.

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Date of issue .. 26/5/26 ....

Signed by ..... W.N. .....

To The Mag ern.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. C-1226 of 24-25 dated the 4th May 1926 on the subject of succession to the late Avani Mallu, I am directed to state that Govt approve of your recommendation that a Committee may be appointed to consider the question of nomination as successor to the Pitapuram ~~Raja~~ Zamindari and to request that you will be good enough to submit proposals

for the personnel of the
Committee at a very early
date. for the Orders of Govt.

2. I am to state that Govt
do not commit themselves at this
stage. to the view that a Brahmaphani
~~should not~~ should be appointed
to the Tribunal. and ~~to request that~~
this ~~Opinion~~ views on this subject be expressed at the Public
Meeting at Doomingpet ~~on the 6th inst~~ when no doubt the
~~whole~~ consideration ~~of this question~~
this question by the Committee along with other matters in connection with
the recommendations
The records received with your letter under reply are returned
herewith for reference

Thanks &c

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C/12260/24-25 Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 9th J u n e 1926.

From

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT
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To

C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No.1506/Muz.268-24 dated the 26th Ultimo calling for proposals for the personnel of the Committee to be appointed for considering the question of succession to the -- Avani Matt, I have the honor to submit for the approval of ------

1. Rao Bahadur H.Krishna Sastri Esq., Retired Superintendent of Archaeology, Chamarajpet.
2. M. Venkatkrishnian, Esq., Mysore.
3. Pandit Devaroyasamudram Ramaswami Sastrigal, Ulsurpet, Bangalore.
4. Mahamahopadhyaya Siddhanti Siva Sankara Sastriar, Sunkenahalli near Pasavangudi, Bangalore.
5. Manavidwan Mahamahopadhyaya Vidyanidhi Virupakshasastrigal, Sringeri Matt, Bangalore.
6. D. Venkatesaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, Kolar.

of Government the -- names of the marginally noted gentlemen who --- will form the Committee with myself presiding.

Favour of early -- orders are solicited.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C S Balasundaram Iyer

Muzrai Commissioner.

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Date of issue 17.6.26

Signed by Jn. AC

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. C-1226 of 24-25 & 9th June 1926 regarding the personnel of the committee ~~for the Education~~ to consider the question of the Colombo Succession to the Sri Avani Pita, I am directed to convey the approval of Govt to ~~your proposals~~ the selections proposed in your letter ~~being nominated~~ ~~Colombo Municipality~~ by Jnana [illegible]

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~~And~~ with Jones as
Chairman. and Request
that the Question may be
considered fully and
proposals in the matter
of the succession Lords
to [illegible] as early as possible.

Thanks

16/6 Rec'd

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Recommendations of the Committee may be sent out early. The views expressed by the Dominions - the matter at the public meeting held at will be by the Dominions in formulating their recommendations

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Immediate — Dated Bangalore, 22nd July 1926.
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From

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Bangalore.

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To

C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Revenue Department.

6.7.1926. With reference to your letter No.Camp.C./Muz.268-24 dated 17th June 1926 approving the personnel of the Committee for the selection of a candidate to succeed to the Avani Matt Peetha, I have the honor to state that the preliminary meeting of the ---- Committee is fixed for the 9th August 1926. In this connection I beg to state that it seems desirable to have the Deputy Commissioner Kolar District also on the Committee since he is intimately conversant with the affairs of the Matt and moreover he has --- presided over the two meetings of the disciples of the Matt ------ convened to nominate a Guru for the Matt.

I request the favour of early orders in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

CS Balasundaramiyer

Muzrai Commissioner.

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Date of issue 28-7-26

Signed by Mr Navaneetham Naidu

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File No. 268-24

Serial No. 27

No. 152

To

The Asst Govt Agt

Sir,

Adverting to correspondence ending with your letter no. C. 1226 dd 28th May 1926 ~~stating reporting~~ that the preliminary meeting of the committee sanctioned for the selection of a candidate to succeed to the Arani Mattu Pettai is fixed for the 9th August 1926, and ~~proposing~~ that it is desirable to issue the Dy Govt Agt's Kolar Dis may also be taken also on the Committee

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~~Since he is situated~~
~~Consultant with the affairs~~
~~of the Instt~~, I am
directed to convey the approval
of Govt to the above
proposal.

I have &c.

28/7
Dy Secretary.

NO. 153 & 28.7.26.
Copy to the Dy. Comr,
Kolar Dist, for info:

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Dy. Secretary.

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Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 25th August 1926.

From

Confidential

R. Ramaswamaiaya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT.
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To

C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Revenue Department.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter C.No.1226/24-25 dated the 11th instant, I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of the proceedings of the meeting of the Committee appointed to consider the question of nominating a successor to the Sri Avani Peeta, held, on the 9th instant.

2. The resolutions which were arrived at after much deliberation and full discussion of the subject in all its aspects, speak for themselves, and there is nothing for me to add to them. The conclusions as embodied in the resolutions were unanimous. The observations subsequently made by a few members in recording their concurrence in the resolutions, do not affect the said resolutions, and they merely repeat the points raised by them in the course of the discussions. Moreover, the consideration of the claims of Sri Omkaraswami, if any, was not one of the terms of reference to the Committee by Government and it may be further noted that, under Resolution I Sri Omkaraswami is at liberty to suggest the names of any competent Brahmachari he might have in view for His Holiness' consideration.

3. It seems to me that the course suggested by the Committee is the best solution of this much contested question and it is expected to give satisfaction both to the disciples and others interested in the well-being of this ancient institution. I

[illegible] before to recommend that the suggestions contained in [illegible] which are agreed to by all the members - may be ac[illegible]ted upon.

On receipt of Government orders I shall place myself in communication with Mr. Mackenzie and the Principal Jaffna and shall in due --- [illegible] for the consideration and approval of Government, the [illegible] finally selected and the arrangements to be made for his [illegible] to Kandy and his education and training.

As the Rector is absent for nearly 2 years, the favour of very early orders is solicited.

The enclosures to your letter of the 30th May 1920 are resubmitted herewith.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A Ramanathan

Lazral Commissioner.

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edings of the Meeting of the Committee appointed for dering the question of nominating a successor to the Sri --- Avani Peetha held at Bangalore on Monday the 9th August 1926.

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1. B. Ramaswamaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L., Muzrai Commissioner and Chairman.

2. S. Hiriannaiya, Esq., M.A., B.L., Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

3. M. Venkatakrishnaiay, Esq., Member Legislative Council, M y s o r e.

4. Rao Bahadur, H. Krishna Sastri, Esq., Retired Government Epigraphist for India, Bangalore.

5. D. Venkatasiah, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate, and Member Legislative Council, K o l a r.

6. Mahamahopadhayaya Vidyanidhi Mahavidwan Brah: H. Virupaksha Sastri, M y s o r e.

7. Mahamahopadhayaya Mahavidwan Brah: Sidhanta Sivasankara Sastri, Bangalore.

8. Brah: Pandit D. Ramaswami Sastri, Ulsoor pet, Bangalore.

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1. Letters Nos.1506/Muz.268-24, C./M.F.268-24 and 152/M.F.268-2 dated 26th May, 17th June, and 28th July 1926, respectively, from the Revenue Secretary to Government sanctioning the appointment and personnel of the committee and requesting that their recommendations may be sent early.

The above letters were read, and a full account of the -- entire proceedings that had taken place in connection with the -- succession to the "Pita" up to date, was placed before the members.

After each member had made his remarks and expressed his individual opinion, the following resolution was unanimously ---- recorded, after full discussion.

"That the selection of a suitable Brahmachari of the Velnad community, if possible, should be made with the advice of His Holines the Sringeri Jagadguru, subject to the final approval of the ---- Government of His Highness the Maharaja.——(Persons interested in the Matt will be at liberty to suggest any suitable candidates in view, for the consideration of His Holiness the Jagadguru.

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The Brahmachari so selected should, after induction into -- Sanyasa Asrama and installation on the Peeta, be left for education and training under His Holiness the Jagadguru for such period as may be found necessary, before assuming the direct administration of the Matt.

During the above mentioned period, the Matt, to continue, as heretofore under the direct management of Government.

The Committee was further unanimously of opinion that it was unnecessary to invite applications for the Head-ship of the Matt. They were definitely against any such procedure being -- adopted in this connection.

Sd/ B. Ramaswamaiya

Chairman of the Committee.

Copy of the above draft proceedings is circulated with compliments to the members of the Committee for concurrence.

9-8-26.

(Sd.) B. Ramaswamaiya,
Chairman.

I agree
Sd. S. Hiriyannaiya,
9-8-26.

Sd/ Virupakshappa Basappa
(in devanaga
9.8.26.

I agree to the resolution come to, at the meeting. I beg, however, to respectfully submit that one of the best Bramhacharis who have received the highest education and bears excellant ---- character and who is not likely to fall into the snares of ---- selfish relatives, must be nominated to the Petha.

There are many among the products of the Mysore University who are quite competent to do justice to the Peetha. There are some even a ong the Velanadu graduates of the Mysore University who by their high education and character are if nominated would up-hold, the traditions of Sree Shankara and Vidyaryanya, who are regarded to be the founders of this Peetha. I, for one hold -- that the most disinterested authority, who can be trusted to -- nominate the best person, is His Highness the Maharaja. The nomination to Karakala Matt and Bale-honnur Matt confirms my ----

view in this matter. The opinions of His Holiness the Jagadguru and all the disinterested Pandits and well-wishers of the matt may be taken; but the final choice should rest with His Highness. If what is stated about the Onkaraswami is true, he may be asked to recommend the best Brahmachari and resign the guruship in favour of the Brahmachari in response to the overwhelming majority of the -- Sishyas of the matt with respect to the person to be nominated. I am of opinion that Brahmachari who is nominated and installed in the Peetha should for a period of at least 5 years be under the --- tutelage of His ~~Highness~~ Holiness the Sringeri Swami, before he is permitted to exercise independent control over the Matt. The reasons are - too obvious to be stated.

9-8-1926. (Sd.) M. Venkatakrishnaiyya,

I completely concur with the views of Mr. Venkatakrishnayya garu, the G.O.M. of Mysore and would specially call attention to his remarks about H.H. Onkaraswami also being called upon to take ~~portion~~ part in the choice of a highly educated Prahmacharin to occupy the Peetha. His nominee, if any, might also be sent up to the Jagadguru for --- selection alongwith the list of others.

(sd.) H. Krishnasastri,

I fully agree to the resolutions being submitted for the ---- consideration of His Highness Government. I respectfully submit -- that the feeling in the District is against the selection of Sri Onkaraswamiji. It is believed that the late Swami did not select any one of for the Peetha. In my opinion, the institution is not likely to attract any disciples if a Prahmachari is not selected. So far as I recollect, the committee were not called upon to ----- consider the claims of Sri Onkaraswami to succeed to the Peetha. The question is beset with numberous difficulties. I do suggest one

:corded by some of the members are new and introduce lot of -------
controversial matter. In my opinion, it will be a great disaster
to the matt, and very disappointing to those interested in the -----
welfare of the matt if those suggestions are acted upon.

(Sd.) D. Venkatesaiya,
18-8-26.

22-8-26

"Copy"
Ramamurthi
Secretary

Proceedings of the Government of H. H.

the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 1326, dated 25th August 1926 from the - - Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, submitting a copy of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Committee appointed to consider the question of nominating a successor to the Sri Avani Peeta, held on the 9th August 1926.

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Enclosures 3 files and one Tamil newspaper.

Order No. ~~Ag 1313~~ Mcg 268-24-31 & 21.6.27.

The late Swamy of the Avani Mutt died on 11th April 1925 and the Mutt has remained without a head for about a year and a half.

2. Two meetings presided over by the Deputy Commissioner of Kolar were held - the first on 20th September 1925 at Kolar and the 2nd (Second) on 3rd April 1926 at Bowringpet - to ascertain the wishes of the disciples of the Mutt in regard to the selection of a person to be appointed to the vacant Peeta. Owing to differences of opinion among the disciples no definite recommendation was made at either of these meetings regarding the person to be - - appointed ~~to the vacant Peeta~~.

3. The Muzrai Commissioner proposed in his letter dated 4th Aug. 1926 that a small Committee might be appointed to invite applications and select the best candidate and this proposal was approved. From the proceedings

of the meeting of the Committee submitted by the Muzrai Commissioner, Government - observe that the Committee have not made any definite proposal as regards the candidate to be selected.

4. The following conclusions may be considered as established from the opinions -- elicited at the two meetings above referred to and from the recommendations of the - - Committee:- (1) only a Brahmachari should be selected, (2) the Brahmachari selected - should be from among the disciples of the Mutt, and if possible from the Velnad Section of the Smartha community, and (3) Sri Onkaramanandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyananda Bharati Swamigalavaru who has been contending that he received Sanyasa from the late Swamy with the object that he should succeed the latter, should not be appointed to the Peeta. Sri Onkaramanandanatha Swamigalavaru alias

5. The claim advanced on behalf of Sri Brahma Vidyananda Bharati Swamigalavaru cannot be accepted, as public opinion is strongly in favour of the appointment of a Brahmachari and also as no sanction of Government was obtained by the late Swamy to the alleged ordainment of the former into Sanyasa with the object that he should succeed to the Peeta. Sri Onkaramanandanatha Swamigalavaru ~~And the opinion~~

6. To enable Government to pass final orders on the matter, the Muzrai Commissioner is requested to suggest, after consulting some of the ~~responsible~~ respectable disciples of the Mutt, the names of three Brahmacharis who are the disciples of the Mutt, ~~from among whom Government may select a candidate for appointment to the vacant Peeta~~. If three Brahmacharis, who belong to the Velnad community and who are eligible in every respect for the Peeta, cannot be suggested, the names of Brahmacharis of other sections of the — of the selection of a successor to the vacant Peeta

Smartha community who are disciples of the Avani Mutt, may be proposed. The Hy Com^n is requested to send up his final recommendations as individual cases in 3 weeks

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Secy. to Govt.

Finl. Deptt.

To

The Huzrat Commissioner.

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Enc 2 files

No 1314 & 21st January 27.

To Mej 268-24-32

The Fuz. Commr. in Mysore.

Sir,

In continuation of G.O. No. 1313 Mej 268-24-31 dated 21st January 1927 regarding the succession to Sri Avani Mutt, I am directed to forward herewith for disposal the marginally noted petitions suggesting the appointment of a Brahmachari called Brahma Sri Krishnamurthy ~~alleged to have been selected by the Sringeri~~ Mutt to succeed to the vacant Peetah, ~~and to request~~ Sam Lawson to state that the Sringeri Mutt need not be consulted in this matter.

1. Petition dated 5-11-26 from Chillara Venkata Subbaiya and others and its enclosure
2. Petition No. 882 dated 23-12-26 from the same.

I have &c.,

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Financial Secretary.

BS 6.1.27

Strictly Confidential
D.O.No. 20
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THE PALACE,
MYSORE.
23rd December 1926

Dear Sir,

In reply to your confidential D.O.letter No. 3 dated the 1st November 1926 regarding Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru, I send herewith the Palace Muzrai Bakshi's report in original (No.281 dated 22-12-1926) furnishing the required information.

The letter under reference is also returned herewith as desired.

Yours sincerely,

Majagovan

B. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Financial Secretary to the Government of
Mysore, B a n g a l o r e.

27.12.26

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Sri. Subbakrishniah

Head Master, Wesleyan Mission Col: High [illegible]

G Venkatasubbiah M.A.

[illegible] Lecturer, Sowcar Bannimal's Oriental High School, Mysore

S. N. pandit, Ayurvedic physician Mysore

B. S. Ranganatha Taluk office Mysore

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శ్రీశంకరాచార్య సంస్థానం (ఆవని)

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12/11/26

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In compliance with your letter
No. 2 dated 1st November 1926, addressed to us
and received on 2nd November 1926, the
original sreemukha issued in our
favour by the late Swamigal of
the Avani Mutt, is herewith despatched
for kind perusal and speedy orders,
the

the said original bearing late Swamiji's signature has been

In this connection, it is mentioned that a personal conversation with us your early convenience will enable you additional information, if any, that may be required on the subject.

The said original may kindly be returned us after reference.

Encl (original) With blessings & Parampara Smruthies

Avani Mutt Camp Malleswaram
Temple 7th Nov. 1926.

CONFIDENTIAL.

To

Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigavaru
alias Sri Brahmavidyanandnanatha
Bharathi Swamigalavaru.

S i r,

I am directed to request you to be so good as to submit, for the information of Government, within a week from the date of receipt of this communication the documents, if any, on the strength of which you claim that you were given sanyasa by the late Swami of the Sri Avani Mutt with the object that you should succeed him. I am to add that no evidence other than that contained in authenticated documents will be entertained.

I have, etc.,

Secretary to Government,
Muzrai Department.

CONFIDENTIAL

Draft.

To

S.P.Rajagopalachari, Esq., B.A., B.L.
Huzur Secretary to H.H. the Maharaja
of Mysore.

S i r,

I am desired to forward herewith, in original, a ~~mahazar~~ letter which is alleged to have been ~~made~~ written at Mysore and in which it is stated that Sri Onkaranandanatha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmavidyanandhanatha Bharathi Swamigalavaru received sanyasa in the temple of Bakshi Narasappa at Mysore in or about the year 1923. The ~~mahazar~~ letter appears to contain the signatures of some of the Palace Pandits. I am to request you to be so good as to ascertain from a few respectable Pandits whose names appear in ~~the mahazar~~ it if their signatures thereto are genuine and if it is a fact that Sri Onkara Swami received sanyasa at Mysore as stated in the ~~Mahazar~~ letter. This person has long been preferring his claim to the vacant peeta of the Sri Avani Mutt and Government find it necessary, in connection with the investigation of this claim, to ascertain the truth of the statements made in the ~~mahazar~~ letter; and hence this reference to you.

2. I am to request that the ~~mahazar~~ letter ~~is~~ may kindly be returned enclosed in a registered cover.

I have, etc.,

Secretary to Government
Muzrai Department.

Made
7-11-26

E. & P.-4.

Acknowledgment.

(*To be returned to office of posting for delivery to sender.*)

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Date of issue 22-1-27

Signed by M. Sangaravelu Mudaliar

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File No. 268-M

Seria No. 33

No. 1337 Encl. RL Sender's cover

To Sri Omkara nanda natha Swamigalavaru alias Sri Brahmo vidyananda Nattar Bharati Swamigalavaru Kumaradasan Bagarmudi Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to return herewith the original Summons issued in your favour by the Court Amanigalu of the Sri Arcot Pilot in regard to your reduction into Sanyasa Asrama, and request you acknowledge the receipt thereof.

Thanks

21/1/27

R. dt.[2]

over

WD 056—GPB—31,000—17-8-25

OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

Bangalore, 20th January 1927.

FROM

C. S. Balaundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

GEN. & REV. SECTT. Dept. 22 JAN. 1927 G. D. SECTION.

GEN. & REV. SECRETARIAT 24 JAN 1927 MUZRAI D/657

TO

B. Sreenivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
The Maharaja of Mysore, Financial Department. 268-24

SIR,

1/27

In continuation of this office letter C.No. 1226/24-25 dated 7th September 1926 Regarding succession to Sri Avani Peeta, I have the honor to forward herewith for early orders of Government Petition dated 23rd December 1926 from Chilara Venkatasubbaish, formerly parapathegar of the Matha, praying that the candidature of the Brahmachari said to have been selected by His Holiness the Sri Sringeri Jagadguru may be accepted and arrangements made to his ordination into Sanyasasrama on a date to be fixed by the disciples.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

C S Balasundaram Iyer
Muzrai Commissioner.

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Muz 7. No. 268 – 1924 on the subject is put up in this office letter dt 21st inst, the M.C. was requested to suggest the names of 3 Brahmacharis and his further report is awaited. The M.C's present opn must have crossed this office Comn – He will send him bill and hile be kept in the file.

Sudmss
21.1.27 24.1.27

The M.C's attention may be invited to para 6 of the Govt Order of 21.1.27.
The Archivist may be informed thereof

SUBJECT.....

Section Mun

File No. 268-24

Seria No. 38

No. 171 Income

Diary No. of letter replied to...

To The Hon'ble Commissioner

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 27-1-27

With reference to your letter No. C-1228/24-25 dated 22-1-27 forwarding a copy of Govt. Memo. No. 23. Rev. 26 dated 5-1-27 from the Chief Secretary to Government requesting that the Commissioner of Municipal Administration may be directed to furnish a report on the representation of the Corporation of Madras for the grant of Rs. 50,000/- for the year 1926-27 in connection with the Madras Improvement Scheme, I am directed to furnish the following report.

Signed by Mr. T. Sundaravelu Mudaliar

List of enclosures.....

Copied by.....

Examined by.....

21-1-27

Deputy Secretary